



## **PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

Friday, February 7, 2020

9:30 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

3839 North 3rd Street, Suite 306, Phoenix, Arizona 85012

### **DRAFT MINUTES**

The Public Policy Standing Committee meeting of the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC) was convened Friday, February 7, 2020 at the ADDPC Office, 3839 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 306, Phoenix, Arizona 85012. Notice having been duly given. Present and absent were the following members of the ADDPC.

<b>Members Present</b>	
Scott Lindbloom, Chairperson, Telephone	Janna Murrell, Telephone
Jason Snead, Telephone	Wendy Parent-Johnson, Telephone
Katharine Levandowsky, Telephone	

<b>Members Absent</b>
George Garcia

<b>Staff</b>	<b>Guests</b>
Erica McFadden, Executive Director	John Black, Chair of ADDPC
Marcella Crane, Staff	J.J. Rico, Councilmember
Julie Whitaker, Staff	Jon Meyers, Executive Director, The Arc of AZ

#### **A. Call to Order/Welcome**

Chairperson Scott Lindbloom welcomed everyone to the Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (ADDPC or Council) Public Policy Standing Committee meeting. The meeting was called to order at 9:37 A.M. Roll call and participant introductions were completed.

#### **B. Review of Minutes**

The minutes from the February 13, 2019 Public Policy Standing Committee were reviewed. A motion was made by Janna Murrell to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Jason Snead. The motion carried.

### **C. Brief of Adult Protective Services Report**

Erica McFadden stated the Adult Protective Report (APS) was released last month and distributed to the Governor's Office, key members of the legislature and to state agencies, Depart. of Health Services, AHCCCS and Dept. of Economic Security. The report is also available on the ADDPC website. Media outreach was also conducted. Erica will take copies with her to the National Disability Conference, held in March in Washington, D. C., and send a copy to the executive director of the AZ AARP. Also there are a couple of bills dropped to address APS. If Council members have other suggestions to who should receive a copy of the report, to let Erica know.

### **D. 2020 Proposed Legislation**

Staff asked Jon Meyers, Executive Director for the Arc of Arizona to provide an overview of HB2769, Guardianship, Supported Decision-Making (SDM). The bill is sponsored by Rep. Longden and will be heard in House Judiciary, on February 12, 8:30 A.M. Jon is asking for the ADDPC and Council members to help spread the word and to ask family members and consumers to contact members of committee that they are in favor of the bill; and if any are able to, to attend the hearing in person, and/or put in a request to speak or state 'in favor' of the bill.

- Jon will send staff a fact sheet and other information to share.
- Eric and will work with Jon Meyers, J.J. Rico and George Garcia to hammer out who will testify in person.
- Janna Murrell will share info with list serve for Raising Special Kids and will share information that she saved from Children's Action Alliance on how they helped educate parents on bills to support KidsCare.
- The ADDPC will put out a blog.
- Marcy Crane will contact the Marianne Scott about the parent graduates from Partners in Policymaking and send her information to share.
- John Black stated there is no problem for the Council to educate and share information with legislators, but to not cross the line and lobby for any bill to pass or fail.
- The ADDPC is monitoring over a hundred bills at this time and in a few weeks will designate which ones have momentum to keep tracking and which ones are stalled. Legislative alerts via our social media and list serve will be used to help notify the disability community of when certain bills are scheduled for a hearing. The Council will also post a list of priority bills that do need attention in the next 2 weeks (attached to minutes).

### **E. Discussion, Input, Information to Track**

Erica brought up to the members the Request to Speak (RTS) system at the legislature. The RTS system is not ADA compliant or accessible for any individual that lives outside of Maricopa County to communicate directly with the legislature on a bill that will have impact. The RTS system first requires an individual to register in person at a kiosk located either in the House or Senate to create an account. Once that process is complete then the individual is free, to submit in their comment and whether they are neutral, in support or not in support of a bill from any location, by signing into their account. Committee members asked staff to research this further.

Janna Murrell stated the what was discussed today and the nature of the work around SDM is very important and wanted to congratulate both Jon and George.

Members also expressed to have 2-3 more committee meetings to receive legislative updates.

**F. Proposed Next Meeting**

Staff will propose a date in mid-March for the next meeting.

**G. Adjourn**

A motion was made by Jason Snead to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Janna Murrell  
The motion carried, meeting adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

Dated this 10th day of February, 2020  
Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council